

May 11

210 Introduction to Ecumenics 4 hours Drs. Mackay, Jurji,  
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156 Fifth Ave.  
New York 10, N.Y.  
May 3, 1953

Dear '38:

Is it really fifteen years already? It's hard to believe until I count up all that has crowded into those years. I can number six more schools since Wheaton, thirteen foreign countries and thirteen nephews and nieces, two years behind the bamboo curtain and two foreign languages, one wife and one revolution (not matrimonial)--and above all, fifteen years of the good Lord's continuing providence.

Chronologically it goes like this:

- 1939: North Dakota student pastorate; Moody Bible Institute
- 1939-42: Princeton Theological Seminary, Th.B.
- 1942: finally persuaded Bet Tarrant, '39, to marry me.
- 1942-45: Yale University, Ph.D.; asst. pastor First Presbyterian Church of Bridgeport, Conn.
- 1946-47: Director of Youth Work, Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions, New York
- 1947-51: Missionary to China--teaching Church History at Yenching University, Peking; and Theology at Nanjing Theol. Seminary.
- 1952-53: Korean language study, Yale, preparatory to transfer to Korea. Published one book, Where'er the Sun, a short missions survey for youth.

I suppose the most dramatic event of the 15 years was our liberation from Red China. After two years under the communists we were still unharmed but were unable to continue Christian work, so applied for and finally got permission to leave. The day before our departure I was suddenly arrested; the exit permits were taken from us; I was charged with embezzlement. I was examined for 36 hours, then, just as suddenly, I was released and told to get out. We had fifteen minutes to pack and rush for the train, but we made it. Then we discovered that in our rush we had left \$3 in U.S. change in a drawer back in the house. I had an official permit stating that I was taking out of the country \$100 U.S. But now I was \$3 short. They would accuse me of using the missing \$3 for bribes. We were examined eight times on our way to the border, but no one noticed the money. But in Canton, they knew we'd be examined by the financial police and there the \$3 shortage could not possibly escape notice. At the Canton station, as we left the train the police descended on us like locusts. They ripped through our baggage, then turned to our persons. As they began to examine two Methodist women with us, the 9-year-old son of British CIM missionaries who had entrusted him to us to take out of China, turned to Bet. "Will they examine me, too? I have some U.S. money." Her heart sank. It was forbidden to carry it without permission. "How much do you have," she asked. "Three dollars," he said! And Bet had it out of his pocket and into mine before the police could turn around.

It was only a little miracle--a \$3 one--but we know God's hand was in it, leading us safely home. And His too is the hand that is now leading us into Korea, into more war and revolution. But because He leads, we are content. We sail, d.v., in August.

Power to you all.

Sam Moffett

200 York Street  
New Haven, Conn.  
June 21, 1953

Dear folks:

Sweltering hot though the day was here today, Bet was able to go to church this morning for the first time since the operation, and was still feeling so well this evening that we drove out for a visit with some friends who live on the Sound (the Franzes, Tom). I think that if it were not for the daily x-ray treatments, Bet would be practically her old self again. The x-ray doses, though, leave her feeling pretty well washed out for most of the afternoon. But this is the last week of them--she's supposed to have twenty in all. We were delighted to find that one of the roentgenologists at the hospital is a Dr. Lin Hwa Tang, who studied at Yenching University in Peking where we taught, and at P.U.M.C. before coming to the states in 1948.

In addition to Bet's splendid recovery from the operation, the final pathology report also buoyed up our confidence. The doctor was much pleased, for the final analysis gives an even better picture than the immediate post-operative diagnosis. ~~for~~ It shows that some of what they thought to be malignant tissue was only "granulation" (whatever that is), so the malignancy had not spread as far as had first seemed likely, and even then they were sure that they had gotten all of it. We're very happy about this further bit of encouragement.

Another encouragement is that Dr. Dodd, at the board, tells us to think in terms of a two-year postponement of service in Korea, instead of the five-year waiting period that a really serious case might require.

Our plans now for next year are getting much more definite. This week I had a talk with Dean Roberts of Princeton Seminary in New York, the net result of which is that I'll be teaching there, beginning this fall. He rather stunned me at first by asking me to take the professorship of Homiletics, succeeding Blackwood. How he could do that after the merciless way he used to rip my sermons apart back in preaching classes, I'm sure I don't know. Anyway, I was not only quite sure that I wasn't qualified for the position, but also it would have meant leaving the Board permanently, and we still think we're going to get to Korea. (Come to think of it, Jim is the man for homiletics at Princeton. You've always been a very sensitive critic of style and construction, and have been able to articulate it, (and I only sense it) but to get back to what we'll be doing, we worked out a compromise with the Board, whereby I'll be ~~guest~~ Visiting Lecturer in Ecumenics, and take three preaching sections, all on a part-time basis, which will leave me free to do part-time speaking for the Board in the Philadelphia area. We'll probably live in Princeton, and I won't be required to take any engagements that take me away overnight. A further good thing about the arrangement is that we can find Korean tutors in Princeton, and Bet will also be able to take some Bible courses. It sounds like a very happy and busy year ahead.

Enough of this for now. By the end of this week we hope to be heading south to beautiful 1404 Cambridge Lane, Columbia, and two weeks at the beach in July.

Much love,  
Bet and Sam

We're surely eager to get home!!

1404 Cambridge Lane  
Columbia, S. C.  
July 17, 1953

(Address, as of Sept. 15,  
Princeton Theol. Sem.  
Princeton, N. J.)

Dear Friends:

This is just a short note to let you know of the unexpected change in our plans for the near future.

As you may know, we were about to sail in August for Korea to resume the missionary service so abruptly interrupted by Chinese communists two years ago. We were transferred from the China to the Korea Mission, and in September started our first year of Korean language study at Yale. On May 21 we finished the language exams, and looked forward eagerly to a return to the field — this time, the land of Sam's birth. But that very afternoon Bet entered the hospital.

A routine check-up had revealed an ovarian cyst, and though the diagnosis was of non-malignancy, we thought the sooner it was tended to the better. How thankful we are that the Lord led us to take steps about it so early. The operation revealed that it was malignant. However, a complete hysterectomy has removed all traces of the malignancy, and we have every possible assurance, confirmed by the final pathology report, that all will be well. The doctors say that of all places where there can be such a tumor, one located where Bet's was is the easiest to remove in its entirety.

We are now on vacation in Bet's home in South Carolina and rejoicing in her wonderfully quick recovery from the operation. As for the future, "God understandeth the way", and that is enough for now.

One thing is certain: We will not be able to go to Korea for at least two years, according to the Board's doctors, who add, "Nothing west of Philadelphia," in the way of speaking engagements this year.

It has all been a great shock, of course. At first we wondered restlessly why we were led into a full year of Korean study only to be cut off suddenly from its use, but lately so many opportunities of useful work at home in the interim have offered themselves that we know the Lord is leading us in this as surely as He led us through all the troubled years in China. We are learning once more the lesson we never quite seem to master: the lesson of patience and of trust.

Next year's schedule is opening up in a wonderful way. It promises a happy combination of the teaching that I love, as Visiting Lecturer in Ecumenics at Princeton Seminary, and a close continuing relation with the Board of Foreign Missions, as its representative to Philadelphia Presbytery, which is the largest presbytery in our denomination. We will be living in faculty apartments in Princeton. I will commute to Philadelphia two or three days a week, while Bet hopes to take courses at the seminary and continue her Korean language study.

Our love to you all, and may God bless you.

Sincerely yours,

*Bet and Sam Moffatt*

Bet and Sam.

17 July 1953

701 SOUTH LATCHES LANE  
MERION STATION  
PENNA.

July 24, 1953

My dear Friend Moffett:

Mrs. Blackwood and I feel for both of you in the trials of these days, both physical and otherwise. We regret that you have been forced to give up for the time being the plan of going to Korea, but we are glad for the assurance of health in years to come. Incidentally, we are glad that the doctors at the Board did not rule out Philadelphia when they issued the interdiction about speaking away from home. We may get to hear you.

It is good to know about the teaching work at Princeton. In some of its aspects, not at Princeton, the ecumenical movement has perplexed many of us. We two feel glad that you know what it is all about and that you have the gift of clarity, plus the habit of thinking straight. Some of the leaders, it seems to me, deal mainly in negations and in vagueness. Consequently I do not know whether or not they believe in one vast Super-Church, with its religion reduced to the lowest common denominator.

Do not take all of this too seriously. I am glad for the sake of Princeton that you are to be there. I only wish that they now had a man like you in my chair. I know that your interests are like elsewhere and that the Board controls such things. Even so, that chair needs an able man who believes what our Church believes.

Give our kind regards to Mr. and Mrs. Farrant. I almost said, to include our other friends, but they seem to us now to have become few. Death does take its toll, but the work goes on. The Lord continue to make you a blessing, at home and elsewhere.

Yours cordially,

*Andrew W. Blackwood*

24 July 1953

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## TEACHER TRAINING COURSE OFFERED

In your desire to serve the Lord, have you felt that you want to be a teacher in the Christian Education Department Sunday School—to teach the word as you know and love it?

Perhaps your hesitancy has been because you felt that you lacked the personal qualifications or "know how."

True indeed, it does take a "know how" and usually it takes considerable service in the Church before one is ably qualified to lead a class of young people or older people in Bible study.

University Presbyterian's Sunday School, the largest in Seattle, has grown to such proportions that there is an immediate need for trained teachers schooled for service to the Lord. Not only are teachers needed immediately, but the C. E. Department must have a backlog of instructors to draw upon as the Sunday school expands.

For some time the Christian Education Department has been working out a plan of leadership training that will teach the "know how" to any person whose heart is willing and who will spare an hour or two a week in class.

Our present staff of teachers will also find the classes most beneficial as a refresher course.

Dr. Warren Watson, dean of Education at Seattle Pacific College, will be the dean of UPC's Teacher's Training School. A faculty of Christ-dedicated men and women from varied walks of life from and away from our Church will make up the faculty.

Chairman of the Teacher's Training School Committee is Mr. Lamont Mac Donald. Assistant chairman is Mr. Frank Rudnicki. Both are members of our Church. Other members will be announced later. The first teacher's training class will be held on Tuesday evening, September 29. It will continue every Tuesday night throughout the Fall and Winter. Further details will appear in the bulletin. You will learn how, through a well-directed program under expert instruction, you can find the answer on how you can serve the Lord through consecrated effort.

**THE CHURCH OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED ALL DAY MONDAY, LABOR DAY.**

*Will the congregation please refrain from conversation after Organ Prelude begins. Your silence will help others prepare their hearts for worship.*

## This Sunday

### MORNING WORSHIP

9:30 and 11:00 A. M.

Maria Kjar	Organist
Josephine Cunningham	Soprano
Barbara Maneymaker	Contralto
Glenn Scarvie	Tenor
Frank Rudnicki	Baritone
Organ Prelude—	
"Charale in E Major"	Frank
Call to Worship—	
"Haly, Haly, Haly"	Gounod
Doxology—Invocation—	
Lord's Prayer—Gloria Patri	
Hymn Number 248—	
"Take Time To Be Holy"	
Announcements	
Anthem—	
"Cast Thy Burden Upon the Lord"	Mendelssohn
Cathedral Octette	
Pastoral Prayer and Choral Amen—	
Hymn Number 143—	
"I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord"	
Prayer—	
Presentation of Tithes and Offerings—	
Solo—	
"Beside Still Waters"	Bernard Hamblen
Glenn Scarvie, Tenor	
Message—"Altogether Lovely"	
Rev. Gary Demarest	
Choral Benediction—	
"Remain With Us,	
O Peace of God"	
Coombs	
Organ Postlude—	
"Ostinata"	Philip James

### EVENING WORSHIP

8:00 P. M.

Organ Prelude—	
"Air"	Bach
Song Service—	
Song Leader	Gary Demarest
Accompanist	Vivian Wheeler
Special Music—	
Solo—Mrs. Elma Graves, Contralto	
Octette—	
Delores May	Louis Smith
Betty Quackenbush	Tom Tavener
Barbara Maneymaker	Dave Capron
Betty Stafford	Don Stafford
Message—"Is This Your Hour?"	
Rev. Gary Demarest	
Postlude—	
Prelude on hymn tune 'Hyfrydal'	
Vaughn Williams	

\* Ushers will seat people.

## WHAT'S YOUR ADDRESS?

Now under preparation is the annual Church directory which is going to press as soon as we have all the correct names and addresses of the membership. If you have moved recently or if your Church mail is being misdirected, will you please notify the Church office at once. It is essential that we have your correct address not later than Wednesday, September 9. Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

## EILEEN FLOWER TO STUDY IN LEBANON

A new horizon in the life of a lovely young lady of University Presbyterian Church comes into view with the announcement that Miss Eileen Flower of UPC, student of Princeton Seminary for the past three years and a leading figure in the recent Summer Day program, is on her way to Lebanon to attend the American College for Women.

The benevolence committee of our Church has voted a sum of one thousand dollars to aid Miss Flower's internship at the college. The committee has the faith that some organization or organizations of the Church will assume the financial obligation of this wonderful project as the sum allocated is over and above our other missionary commitments.

A letter received from Dr. J. Christy Wilson of Princeton emphasizes the opportunity there is to influence young women from all over the Bible lands or Middle East. Young women come to the college from Iran, Iraq, Palestine, Jordan, Syria, Lebanon—even Egypt and Turkey. There is a rich treasure of experience awaiting Eileen in Lebanon, for Dr. Wilson writes:

"It would be my hope that Eileen might teach Bible and other subjects in the college and at the same time do evangelistic work for girls in connection with the work for young men already being carried on by John Reynolds of the First Church in Berkeley, who is supported by that church.

Letters from Eileen in the field should prove a great factor in increasing missionary interest. It is estimated that Eileen will be in the field about forty weeks. Fifty dollars a week would pay for transportation, her small salary and all expenses of the project. In other words, her support could be maintained by an individual or an organization for \$200 a month, two weeks for \$100, or one week for \$50.

The financial needs of the project are of prime importance but also of great significance are the triple dividends realized from all that is put into such a project.

1—The further preparation of a young person for Christian service. The consecration of a young life is always the vital nerve of the Church.

2—In missionary interest which

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### TODAY'S GREETERS

**Front Door**—9:15: Mr. Homer Read, Mr. M. D. Van Horne; 10:45: Mr. David Meekhof, Mr. David Storm.

**Sanctuary Center Aisle**—10:30: Mr. and Mrs. Frank Warner; 12:15: Mr. Lee Goodrich, Miss Edith Goodrich.

**Sanctuary Side Aisle**—10:30: Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Booker; 12:15: Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kriens.

**Balcony East Door**—10:30: Mr. and Mrs. Scott Fiscus; 12:15: Mr. and Mrs. Ross Clark.

**Balcony West Door**—10:30: Mr. and Mrs. Ira Herman; 12:15: Mr. and Mrs. John Soule.

**Southwest Door**—10:30: Mr. and Mrs. Ray Severance; 12:15: Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Duncan.

## CRIBS ARE WANTED FOR 'BOWL ROOM'

Just when we were beginning to believe that everything was quiet in the "bowl room," the Sunday School nursery, that is—along comes the word that our nursery has a "crying need" (Ouch! Forgive it please.—the Ed.) for some cribs for young folk up to six years of age.

If you have any cribs in your attic or garage that are vacant, for goodness sakes let us know and perhaps things will quiet down in the Safety Pin Set.

**NELSONS TO SPEAK**—The Rev. and Mrs. Marvin Nelson will be the main speakers at the meeting of the Presbyterian Society on Tuesday, September 8 at First Church. The Nelsons will show an interesting collection of slides taken at the missionary post in West India. Also on the program will be a skit presented by the finance committee which holds fine promise of dramatic perfection. The meeting starts at 10 a.m. Bring a pocket lunch and leave the kiddies in the nursery provided.

**SPIRITUAL LIFE**—Mark on your calendar for Monday, September 14th, the start of the Fall and Winter Spiritual Life Classes which were discontinued during the summer months. Classes start at 10 a.m. in the Church parlor. The scripture study will be Col. 2:16-22. Remember time, date and place.

## Calendar

### SUNDAY—

9:00 a.m.—Pre - Service Prayer, Asso. Pastor's Office.

\*9:30 a.m.—1st Morning Worship

10:30 a.m.—Pre - Service Prayer, Asso. Pastor's Office.

\*11:00 a.m.—2nd Morning Worship

11:00 a.m.—Membership Preparatory Class, 208 C. E. Bldg.

\*6:15 p.m.—Mariners. New Chapel

7:30 p.m.—Pre - Service Prayer, Asso. Pastor's Office.

\*8:00 p.m.—Evening Worship.

### TUESDAY—

6:00 p.m.—Calvin Club Dinner

### WEDNESDAY—

6:15 p.m.—Ambassadors' Dinner

\*8:00 p.m.—Bible Study Class, Chapel

### THURSDAY—

8:00 p.m.—Cathedral Choir.

## Music Corner

**MORNING ANTHEM**A Cathedral octette sings this morning "Cast Thy Burden Upon the Lord," from "Elijah," by Mendelssohn. The octette is composed of Josephine Cunningham, Betty Quackenbush, Betty Stafford, Barbara Money-maker, Glenn Scarvie, Tom Tavener, Don Stafford and Marlton Falconer. This anthem is a chorale based on Psalms 55:2; 57:10, and 25:3.

*"Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and He shall sustain thee; He never will suffer the righteous to fall;*

*He is at thy right hand. Thy mercy, Lord, is great, and far above the heav'ns. Let none be made ashamed, that wait upon Thee!"*

**ATTENTION SINGERS:** Anyone interested in singing in any of the choirs is urged to see or call Mr. Johnson or Miss Money-maker as soon as possible.

It is particularly urgent that you make an audition appointment immediately if you are interested in participating in the Cathedral choir. Letters of invitation are being sent out for this choir now, and additions will be made as balance demands.

## ACCORDION NEEDED FOR MISSIONARIES

In West India it isn't always possible to find a piano when missionaries gather with their flock around to teach the story of Jesus Christ and sing praises unto Him.

To meet the needs of musical accompaniment out there where the Word of the Lord is slowly being taught in prayer and song, the Marvin Nelsons have the need of a piano accordion and where to turn for help in finding such an instrument but the Church whose banner they carry into the native villages—University Presbyterian.

Circle No. 11 of the Women's Association is hoping and praying that they can find an accordion for the Nelsons when they leave soon for their distant missionary home. Elsie Nelson is an accomplished accordionist.

If you have an instrument, or if you know where one can be obtained, let us know. Maybe it needs repairs. If so, Circle 11 will see that repairs are made.

Call the Church office, please.

**WHAT'S THE ANSWER**—Where in the Bible is the account of the building of the tower of Babel and the division of languages. Turn to Page 4 for answer.



## SERVICEMEN'S LIST LACKS MANY NAMES

While the guns in Korea crackle and cool, the long period of "sweating it out" until ordered stateside is the dreary outlook for many a GI. In other parts of the world, too, men and women in the armed forces dream of home and eagerly await each arrival of mail.

The record of men and women in the armed service from UPC is known to be far from complete. The list contains about 50 names. It is a certainty that we have more than 50 in uniform from this church. Meanwhile many of our members are wondering why they don't hear from the folks of their church at home.

Here is something that every member of our Church should take an interest in. First, let's get our list of members in the service complete and up-to-date. If you know of any member of UPC in the armed forces who is in the service will you please notify the office. Don't assume that we have the name—be sure by calling the Church office.

Second, let's write to them and pray for them. Their will be comfort in your letters and there is power in prayer.

Here are four names of our men who would like to hear from you. Write to them, pray for them today:

A/3c Dixon C. Phillips (new address) AF 19418016, Office of TIG, OR&TI Div., 1002nd Insp. Genl. Grp., Norton AFB, San Bernardino, Calif.

Lieut. Robert Wenke, USR, 555C Ave., Coronado, Calif.

Sgt. Richard D. Aust, 1059181, USMC, Hdqtrs. Sqdrn. 33, Marine Aircraft Group 33, 1st Marine Air Wing, FMF, c/o FPO, San Francisco, Calif.

SGT. John B. Bannecker, 1193607, Hqtrs. Co., H & S Bn., MCRDep., San Diego 40, Calif.

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**CALVIN COLUMN**—Two screaming sirens announced the arrival of the Rev. Gary Demarest into Seattle. One was mounted on the fire chief's car—the other on the state patrol car in hot pursuit. Not that Gary drives fast or anything, but we hear that he only needs a few more flying (low) hours for his pilots license.

Seriously, we are glad to welcome Gary back. He will be resuming his duties as speaker for our Sunday morning meeting and will soon be back with us on Tuesday nights.

With Gary's return, a word of sincere thanks and appreciation is due Dr. Harvey Roys for the terrific job he did in speaking Sundays. We're all glad to see Gary back.

## People in the News

**FLASH! (By Cable)—DR. L. DAVID COWIE CAUGHT ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-THREE POUNDS OF SALMON STOP BULLETIN EDITOR TO LEAVE TOWN DON'T STOP**

William B. Addy of UPC, 85 years young, was honored by the Seattle Gas Company at a banquet recently upon his retirement from the company after 49 years of service. Mr. Addy joined Seattle Gas in 1904 as a timekeeper. He retired as assistant treasurer. Mr. Addy and his wife joined UPC in 1934.

A welcome home to Dr. and Mrs. L. A. Sanderman and Mary after a motor vacation through Oregon, California and into Lower California.

Gov. Arthur B. Langlie and Mrs. Langlie arrived in Stockholm, Sweden for a two-day visit last Sunday.

In a letter to our Church warm with thanks for our prayers for her daughter, Mrs. B. W. Redding reports that Mary Frances, has shown remarkable improvement in the past few weeks.

With regret we bid farewell to several members of our Church who are leaving for study or for service to the Lord. Mr. and Mrs. Vern Schroeder have left for Las Vegas, N.M. to serve under the Spanish-American Bible Mission. Off for Wheaton College, Ill., are Gladys and Tom Tweddell and our prayers follow them.

In a letter to the Rev. Mr. Meekhof, the Rev. Ronald B. Snelling, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Petersburg, Alaska expresses his appreciation for the fine work done by Dave Meekhof, Tom Currans, Ellen Graham and Bernice Bean in helping build his new Church and in the Daily Vacation Bible School. The Calvin Clubbers made many friends among the young people of Petersburg. Mr. Snelling said.

Many, many friends in UPC will miss the Ladd Hollingsworths who have moved from Seattle to make their home in Hollywood, Calif.

Home from several weeks vacation in Southern California are Mrs. Ebeth Rudnicki, Mrs. Sarie Martin, the Jim Liddells, all of UPC, and Mrs. S. Verge, mother of Mrs. R., Mrs. M. and Mrs. L. (And our mom-in-law, too, we're happy to say.—The Ed.)

**JOINS SAFETY PIN SET** — A baby daughter has come to bless the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chris Seger. Born at Northgate Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernice Bean, Carol and Bernice enjoyed a motor trip to

## TEA PLANNED FOR THWINGS, NELSONS

The Womens' Association of UPC will give the "green light" to a full program of fall and winter activity next Thursday with a "Come-and-stay" tea from 1 to 3 o'clock in the Church dining hall.

Honored guests will be the Hal Thwings, UPC's missionaries in Elat, French Cameroun, West Africa and the Marvin Nelsons, missionaries of our Church in West India.

These two couples have a wonderful story to tell of what they are doing and what is to be done in the name of our Lord in those distant countries—perhaps as primitive as any countries on earth in matters of Christianity.

Marvin and Elsie Nelson soon will be leaving for their outpost station and will talk over their plans and problems. Hal and Margaret Thwing, you may be sure, will have a storehouse of information about their jungle hinterland.

Another highlight of the afternoon program will be a skit, featuring one of our favorite UPC families. There will be special music, too. A nursery will be provided for the little folk.

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## SYNOD "TIME OUT"

A Synod-wide meeting of all men of the Seattle Presbytery will be held at Lake Wilderness, east of Kent, on Saturday and Sunday, September 26 and 27. Several nationally-known speakers will address the men.

Watch the bulletin for further details and save the date, men—September 26 and 27.

California, visiting in San Francisco and San Jose.

Wedding bells echoed from Lafayette, Ind., recently where Miss Drueilla Allen of UPC was married to Mr. Stewart Briggs, a student of Purdue University. They will make their home in Lafayette until the groom finishes his doctorate.

In a setting of pink and plum chrysanthemums, Miss Marilyn Joanne Bundy became the bride of Mr. Richard Packer Fike, in a ceremony in our Church Saturday evening, August 30. Marilyn is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emory E. Bundy of UPC. The benedict's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Freeman C. Fike of Bellevue.

Mr. Robert W. Kelly left Tuesday for San Francisco to join his wife Josephine who arrived from the Philippines the following day. The Kelly's will motor to Florida via the Grand Canyon to visit relatives and friends and return to Seattle about October 15. They will be at home

## JUNIOR, PRIMARY CHURCHES RESUME

Calling all kids between the ages of 6 and 13: Be on the lookout for PRIMARY AND JUNIOR CHURCH last seen in the vicinity of the New Church Dining room (Primary) and the beginners room (Junior), on June 28. Two very clever ladies, Mrs. W. A. Trimble, and Mrs. Byron C. Sullivan, are still the brains behind the system. They are heard to be coming this way on September 6, at 11:00 and known to be planning to work the same area. It is most essential that you find one or the other. That is all! That is all! Just be there.

### Attendance

Nursery .....	97
Beginners .....	46
Kindergarten .....	42
Primary .....	90
Junior .....	69
Junior High .....	39
High School .....	19
College .....	65
Ambassadors .....	26
Mariners .....	40
Skymasters .....	88
Adult Bible Class .....	33
Teachers and Officers .....	89
Total S.S. Attendance .....	743
Plus—	
Crib Room .....	13
Toddlers .....	22
Grand Total .....	778
Last year .....	518

**MARINERS** — For our meeting this week we Mariners will join with the rest of the Church for the mid-week service, Wednesday, September 9. Our own Helen Lower, Joyce Mansfield, Dick Blomquist, Roy Charawell, and Lee Dale will be presenting the discussion on "Personal Prayer," so let's all be there to lend our support. The scripture study will be found in Matt. 6:6.

Remember, Sunday evening, Sep-

tember 13, we'll be back on our regular fall schedule in the Chapel at 6.

### Day by Day

**Junior High** (7th, 8th, 9th grades):  
**Sunday—11 a.m. Sunday School!**  
**High School** (10th, 11th and 12th grades):  
**Sunday—11:00 a.m. Sunday School**  
**Monday—3:30 p.m. Bible Study.**  
**Wednesday—3:30 p.m. Bible Study. Bible Study 8 p.m.**  
**Calvin Club (Sunday)—9:00 Coffee Hour; 9:30 Bible Class.**  
**Tuesday—6:00 Dinner; 6:45 Fellowship.**  
**Thursday—7:30 Bible Course.**  
**Ambassadors (Post-College age):—**  
**Sunday, "Willis Shank" Cruise.**  
**Wednesday, 6:15 p.m. dinner at Church. Music interlude prior to Bible Study. Prayer meeting following.**  
**Thursday—8:15 Board Meeting.**  
**Mariners (Young Marrieds): "Refreshment time" after Evening Service. Tuesday—a potluck dinner at 6:30, Bible Study at 7:30.**  
**Skymaster (couples): Sunday—9:30 a.m. Bible Class.**  
**Adult Bible Class (Men and women): Sunday—11 a.m. Bible Class in the Church Parlor.**

**SKYMASTERS**—It's a "back to school" theme for our September dinner and party on Friday, Sept. 11. Be in the church dining room at 7:00 p.m. for dinner, priced at \$1.25 per plate. Afterwards, the "Professor" and his teaching staff will give you some very interesting assignments, so come ready for an informal time of fun and relaxation. Hal Thwing, our missionary to Africa, will conclude the evening with a devotional message. You won't want to miss this first party of our fall "semester." New couples attention! We want you to come and take part

## EILEEN FLOWER TO STUDY IN LEBANON

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is always a barometer of the spiritual life of the Church.

3—In Christian mission service in a most vital and strategic spot for young women of the Bible lands and the Near East.

Eileen Flower is dedicating her life to the service of Jesus Christ. All that is asked is that we dedicate a few dollars to further such a glorious project.

**AMBASSADORS—SHIP AHOY!** Ship's Agent Natalie Coryell will arrange last-minute passage for you on the Willis Shank's Ambassador Labor-Day Weekend—3 days' sailing and "landlubbering." Call her AT ONCE. However, if you spend the time in Seattle, either the Calvin Club or the Mariners will welcome you to their Sunday evening and morning programs.

**PREVIEW OF AUTUMN SUNDAY EVENING PROGRAMS:** Dick Caldwell, whom we sponsored in Guatemala this summer, will report on his service in the mission there. Mrs. Dannemiller will review the author, C. S. Lewis. Max Atienza, in radio production in Manila, will be guest speaker on Sept. 27. (Exact dates of other speakers to be announced later.)

**HERE'S THE ANSWER**—You'll find it in Genesis 11 and if you don't a lot of people will tell us about it.

in our fellowship and good times. If you've not called for a reservation for this dinner, call Muriel Fiscus at CA. 2834 before Tuesday night.

Remember the meeting at the Bread of Life mission this Sunday, and don't forget "C" Sunday next week as Mr. Ott returns to our Bible Class.

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## Sunday, October 24

Evangelistic Team from Princeton Seminary at  
Sunday School, First Church, 10:30 a.m., Young  
Men's meetings, and the Evening Service.

William P. Lyle, Missionary to Colombia in New  
Mexico.

2111 W. 10th, Korean; educated in Japan and the  
United States.

John Reynolds, American University in Beirut and  
Princeton Seminary.

K. J. Phillips, Pastor of the ancient Mar Thoma Church  
in South India.

## Monday October 25



DR. FRANK C. LAUBACH

*World Famous Missionary, Teacher and Author*

Dr. Laubach—Christ's Apostle to the Illiterates.  
He has prepared literacy charts in 239 languages for  
68 countries. Sixty million people have learned to  
read by the Laubach method. Dr. Laubach knows  
intimately the people of the Philippines, the Middle  
East, India, Africa, Ethiopia, Afghanistan, Burma,  
Malaya, Indonesia, and Latin America. He is known  
as "The Man with the Burning Heart."

6:00 p.m.—Film in the House of Prayer, "The Word"  
This is a thrilling picture of the life work of  
missionary Laubach.

6:45 p.m.—Buffet Supper served by the Men's Club

8:00 p.m.—Song Service and Dr. Laubach's message  
in the sanctuary.

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Nurseries to care for pre-school children  
Missionary program for children under  
Junior High Age

## Tuesday, October 26



DR. SAMUEL H. MOFFETT  
*Missionary to China and Korea*

Dr. Moffett is the son of great missionary parents,  
and has two brothers who are missionaries, and two  
who are pastors. He is a graduate of Princeton College,  
Princeton Theological Seminary, and holds the Ph.D.  
from Yale. He was a missionary in China, and is  
under appointment to go to Korea. He is now lecturer  
in Ecclesiology at Princeton Seminary, and acting secretary  
of Missionary Personnel for our Board of Foreign  
Missions. Dr. Moffett is a young man with a "burning  
heart" for Christ and the Gospel.

6:00 p.m.—Film in the House of Prayer  
"Each One Teach One" *Laubach*

This is a picture of Dr. Laubach's method at work

6:45 p.m.—Buffet Supper served by the Sunday School

8:00 p.m.—Song service and Dr. Moffett's message in  
the Sanctuary

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Nurseries for pre-school children  
Missionary program for children under  
Junior High age

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See the great World Map locating the missionaries  
supported by Old First Church.

Wednesday, October 27



DR. J. CHRISTY WILSON

*Missionary to Iran and Afghanistan*

Dr. Wilson was a missionary evangelist for twenty years among the Moslems in Iran, and saw the beginning of the Christian Church in this Moslem country. He has traveled with Dr. Laubach as his interpreter in Afghanistan, and has been in Soviet Russia, Iraq, Syria, Lebanon, Turkey, Palestine and Egypt. Dr. Wilson is now teaching Missions at Princeton Theological Seminary, and is Director of all student field work. He also has a heart aflame for Jesus Christ.

6:00 p.m.—Film in the House of Prayer

6:45 p.m.—Covered Dish Buffet Supper under the direction of the Women's Association and the Evening Mission Guild

8:00 p.m.—Song service and Dr. Wilson's message in the sanctuary.

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Nurseries for all pre-school children  
Missionary Program for children under  
Junior High age

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Books written by our missionary speakers will be on display and orders will be taken by our young people.

November 6, 1953.

Dr. Earl S. Erb  
Lutheran Board of Foreign Missions  
231 Madison Ave. at 37th St.  
New York 16, N.Y.

Dear Dr. Erb:

I find I have been remiss in not sending you the conclusion to my talk at Atlantic City which I promised you. I will send it herewith.

This suggests, in closing, a rough but basic pattern for Christian social reform. Not Church control of politics. The Church doesn't know enough about politics. And not Christian withdrawal from the world, for our Lord sends us into the world. But rather let the Church give clear guidance to its people on what the Gospel's great social principles of love and justice really mean. And let every man in the work to which God has called him—be he king or carpenter, preacher or politician—so direct his work in the light of God's Word that love and justice may work their transforming way in the world through him, bestowing upon the social order in so far as it will receive them the blessed fruits of freedom and equality and peace. For only as we take this, our Christian duty, seriously will we justify the proud boast of an earlier and a purer Church: "Christians are they who hold the world together." (Diogn. vi. 7).

And only then, as James reminds us, will our faith be anything but dead:

"What doth it profit, my brethren, though a man say he hath faith, and have not works? Can faith save him? If a brother or sister be naked, and destitute of daily food, and one of you say unto them, Depart in peace, be ye warmed and filled; notwithstanding ye give them not those things which are needful to the body; what doth it profit? Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead."

I surely did enjoy the meeting and very much appreciate the opportunity you gave me to be with you.

Can you by any chance tell me where I can secure a copy of Dr. Dolbeer's pamphlet "What About Communism" published by the Andhra Evangelical Lutheran Church, Rajahmundry, 1950? Dr. Braden of Northwestern University in his recent book "War, Communism and World Religions" calls it "the most effective counter-attack upon communism that I have seen".

Sincerely yours,

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C O P Y  
Samuel H. Moffett

November 11, 1953

Rev. Samuel H. Moffett  
c/o Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions  
156 Fifth Avenue  
New York, New York

My dear Doctor Moffett:

Some weeks ago Tien Wu, who was my Chinese associate for a lifetime, (because she began at fourteen, and, though there was an interval during which she was finishing her education in the east, she was my staunch helper up to the time of her retirement three years ago), brought home from a local gathering of missionary minded women your very precious mission study book "Where'er the Sun". Miss Wu read it, then brought it to me with the comment, "Lo Mo, I know you would love to read this book by Dr. Moffett." I have read and re-read with great blessing this precious challenging testimony to the power of God around the world.

Last Sabbath I had the joy and privilege of attending the one hundredth birthday anniversary of our Chinese Presbyterian Church in San Francisco. I wished with all my heart that there might be many, many times the number of visitors there to witness the very beautiful services; to sit and look up at the splendidly trained choir of thirty young people, all high school and college lads, and be able to contrast as I was able to do, the comparatively small group of young people who used to attend that little church fifty-eight years ago. A very young Chinese man played the organ last Sabbath, and I thought of the very squeaky little foot-pedaled organ that one of our young girls from the Mission Home used to play; and Margaret Culbertson, that splendid woman who was superintendent of our work, standing in front of the congregation leading the singing.

The growth and spiritual power of the church has steadily increased from these early years, and as I drove back to my home in Palo Alto with Miss Lorna Logan, who is now Director of the altered, but very vital work carried on at 920 Sacramento Street, San Francisco, I asked her if she had read your book. I wish you could have seen the happy expression on her face as she turned and said, "Oh, yes, I read it as soon as it came

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out, and I have bought several copies to distribute among our young Chinese leaders."

I told Miss Logan that I wanted to write and tell you how much joy and blessing your contribution to the cause of missions as portrayed in this book has brought to those of us here in California who have read it. Then Miss Logan told me what I had not heard before, that your wife had been very ill and so you were hindered from returning to Korea as planned. I do want you and Mrs. Moffett to know how deeply I sympathize with you both in this trial that has come, and how earnestly I trust that Mrs. Moffett will be restored to normal health and that you will both be able to return to Korea.

During my long and happy years at the Chinese Mission Home in San Francisco, it was my privilege to meet so many of our Presbyterian foreign missionaries and among them your father, Dr. Moffett. I have always thought that Korea was especially blessed by God in the type of missionaries who in early years helped to establish the Christian Church in that small but very remarkable country. I remember vividly attending the wedding of Dr. and Mrs. Sharrocks shortly before they sailed for Korea. So I have always had a very vital interest centered there and shall rejoice with you and Mrs. Moffett when I hear, as I am sure I shall, that you are able to return and help rehabilitate the church in Korea.

With very warm personal regard, and please do not feel that this letter needs a reply. You have too many important things to think of and to do. I just wanted to add my word of appreciation for what you have done and are doing for the cause of missions, dear Dr. Moffett.

Most sincerely yours,

*Donaldina Cameron*



22 Dickinson St.  
Princeton, N.J.  
(Phone: 3174M)  
November 12, 1953

Dear folks:

We're so pleased about the surgeon's report after Bet's 3-months post-operational examination last week, that I'd better break down and get a letter off to you at long last. He says that she is completely clear, and the operation an entire success. She still has her final x-ray treatments to finish up in New Haven, and won't be home for another week, but we feel like new already.

This has been a rough autumn for Bet. Before we could even get properly settled in Princeton, she had to go up for three weeks of x-rays (the second and final series of treatments). Then after just one week of them, she was called home by her mother's critical illness. Mrs. Tarrant passed away about two weeks ago--arterio-sclerosis. We had been expecting it for some time, but it was no less a shock. Fortunately Bet was able to get home to be with her mother for a few days before she relapsed into the coma from which she did not recover. I went down briefly for the funeral, thereby missing a reunion with Tom and Prudie in Baltimore on a quick trip they took east for a speaking engagement.

The break in the treatments has meant that Bet had to begin all over again, postponing still farther her return. When she finally gets back on the 20th, it will have been almost two months that she has been away. A miserable life, but I haven't had much time to mope about it. This split-existence I'm leading, divided between Princeton and Philadelphia, has me dizzy. Presytery already has me booked clear up into May, and by the end of the year I ought to own the Pennsylvania Railroad between Philly and Princeton. Mondays and Tuesdays I scramble madly to keep ahead of the seminary students. I have 41 of them in a missions elective that I thought was going to be a manageable seminar group of 8 or 10. With 41 about all you can do is lecture--but for two hours in a row, late Monday afternoon? Impossible.

Bob Cadigan of Presbyterian Life took me out to lunch today, here in Philly--a free meal for which I have you to thank. He wants to ~~write~~ a series of three articles on the Moffetts, and before you all duck for cover, let me go on to say that the first one will be on father, and the other two--as he proposes it--will be on the rest of us "to give a picture in personal family terms of the world-wide work of the church". He'd like to have Howard Whitman write it, Jim, but thinks that would probably be too expensive. Anyway, he asked me to help him stir you out of your modesty and send in something about yourselves. You'll hear from him. Remember, Tom, you modest old so-and-so, it's for the glory of the Mountaineer Mining Mission. Incidentally, I just got encouraging word through Bill Grace about the meetings at Four States. Good thing.

We breathed a sigh of relief to hear that Charlie and Marion are settled. Visions of you people squeezed in two rooms, and moving *practically* every other day, ~~practically~~, have been haunting us.

Love - *hastily,*  
*Sam*

# *More Than Conquerors*

*by*

DR. SAMUEL MOFFETT

Former Missionary in China  
Board of Foreign Missions, Presbyterian Church U. S. A.



This message was delivered by Dr. Moffett at the evening service of the First Presbyterian Church, Vineland, N. J., on November 29, 1953. It has been reprinted with his permission by the Board of Deacons. Additional copies may be secured by contacting the church office, the pastor or a member of the Board.

May I say first that it is a very real privilege to be meeting with you tonight—a privilege to have a share in your 90th Anniversary, and a very particular privilege to be back with your pastor for this brief class reunion. But I think the greatest privilege of all is just to be here. I never cease to give God thanks, after the strife and the turmoil and the tension of the years behind the curtain, for the beauty of the music and the quiet of the sanctuary on a Sunday when people can come together freely to worship God.

I wish it were possible for me this evening simply to congratulate you on your good work during the last ninety years, or failing that, I wish it were possible to comfort and encourage you about the world situation that faces the church. I wish I could tell you that, thanks to your faithful endeavor through almost a century, the faith is now secure and the frontiers are safe. It would be so satisfying to come back from the foreign field and tell you in the home church stories about great victories won for the Lord Jesus Christ out on the frontier. But I haven't many stories of great victories to tell you. Where I have been it is the communists that have been winning the victories. I feel somewhat like General Stilwell. You remember how he came staggering out of the jungles after his disastrous Burma campaign, the Japanese armies hot on his heels, escaping with only a handful of survivors—and as he stumbled into safety a group of American reporters rushed up to him. They said, "General Stilwell give us an optimistic statement for the people back home." They didn't know General Stilwell. He was not called "Vinegar Joe" for nothing. Do you remember what he told those reporters? No false optimism for him. (I'll have to edit what he said, a little, for use here tonight.) He told those reporters, "I tell you we have taken a terrible beating."

I think Christian missionaries also should tell the truth when they come home. I think you can take it, and if you want the truth from me about the world situation facing the Church after your ninety years of good work I am going to have to tell you, "We have taken a terrible beating".

You can sing "Onward Christian Soldiers" if you like, but the grim truth of the matter is that today the Christian Church is retreating outnumbered and out-fought before the greatest onslaught it has suffered in 1300 years, since the days the Moslems came sweeping out of their Arabian desert, sweeping in a conquering crescent across the face of Christendom until they had slashed away and destroyed one half of the Christian Church of the seventh century. It has happened before, I see no reason why it cannot happen again. You really aren't very much better Christians than those Christians of the seventh century, and the new conquerors, not the green tide of Islam but the red tide of the hammer and sickle, are every bit as

fanatical, as contemptuous of human life and quite as spectacularly successful as those Moslem warriors of 1300 years ago.

We Christians have been trying to win the world for almost 2000 years, but in less than half the time that this Vineland Church has existed as a witnessing congregation, the communists have ripped away one-third of the world from us. In less than my own lifetime! What makes them so successful? If you will permit me one bit of over-simplification tonight I'm inclined to put it all in one sentence: the communists have succeeded and you are failing because communists believe in missions and in evangelism with greater intensity for their false faith than you do for the true faith. It's as simple as that. We saw it when they first rolled over us out there in North China.

Have you ever wondered what it is like to be taken by the communists? I remember reading an article some years ago about how a town out in the mid-west decided to act out for its people what communist occupation would mean. So the town fathers went out and hired men to act as red soldiers, and on the appointed day these men came pushing into that little town, pretending to loot the stores rob the banks and insult women. They took the mayor and the ministers out to the edge of town and pretended to shoot them. It was a pretty good imitation of a reign of red terror except for one thing—that is not how it happened. At least that is not how it happened to us when the red tide rolled over us.

We were in Peking. The communist armies under the red Napoleon, Chu Teh, were sweeping down after their conquest of Manchuria, across the rich plains of Peking, closing in for the kill on that ancient city. We had to decide whether to evacuate or to stay. Along with many other missionaries we decided to stay. We stayed partly out of curiosity—I wanted to see what those communists were like; and I stayed partly out of stubbornness—my wife and I are Scotch-Irish. But the principle reason we stayed was because we had gone to China in obedience to the command of Jesus Christ who says "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel", and no matter how many times I re-read that verse—that great missionary commission—I simply could not make it read, "Go ye into all the world, except communists held territory". So with many another we stayed to see what could be done for the gospel of Jesus Christ behind the curtain. And the curtain fell very quickly.

I had been asked to teach at a university 9 miles outside the Peking city walls. We raced to get there ahead of the communists, along roads that were packed with Nationalist troops retreating in wild disorder. A lieutenant galloped up to us, waving a pistol and shouting, "Look out, get back into the city, the communists are around the corner and they will kill you."

We moved past the burning airport which was already in communist hands, but we made it out to the safety of the university compound and we ducked into that compound with a feeling of great relief. We found people preparing for the coming of the communists. They were laying up stocks of food supplies. They were hiding valuables. I remember one good missionary who collected all the gold rings in his family and what valuables he possessed, went out that very night, which was a black night, dug a deep hole, hid his valuables, covered the hole over very carefully—then spent the next 3 months trying to find that hole again!

We were confused, we were panicky, we were frightened. The bloodthirsty conquerors of Manchuria were upon us. The next night the communists came in—but not at all in the rude, bloodthirsty way that we had imagined. It was one of the shocks of my life, the next morning, to go out of the house and discover the communists in their dirty, padded, mustard-yellow uniforms, stacking their rifles to one side and inviting our students to join them in games, children's games—playing ring-around-a-rosy and blind man's bluff. There was no fighting, no looting, no mistreatment of women. It was the best disciplined army that China had ever seen. We looked at the walls and saw notices, reading, "We guarantee freedom of religion". Communists! Another notice I was very happy to see: "Protect the property of the foreigner". People came in from the village, and said, "We have never seen soldiers like this before in our lives. They even sweep up the streets of the village for us at night".

Now before you think that perhaps my brain has been washed just a little too much, let me warn you that this approach of the communists as I saw it is far more dangerous than the approach of the communists as you imagine it. It is a missionary approach. The communists came into North China as liberators; they behaved like liberators; they called themselves liberators, because they considered themselves missionaries and communists take missions seriously.

Communist strategy is based on the proposition that a communist missionary is as important as a communist soldier. There are times when I think they see the war in which we are engaged in a much clearer perspective than the average American. The communists do not de-emphasize the military level of that war. They know how important it is and they have a strong army. But they don't delude themselves into thinking that the military level is the only level of the war. Communists have told us, "We never expect to defeat America on the field of battle, that would be foolish. But, in the next American depression we are going to conquer the world." To them the economic level is more important even than the military level. And materialists though the communists are, they are able to discern still another level of the

war, which too many Americans forget. This is the battle of ideas, the struggle for the hearts and the minds, and the souls of men. Communists know very well that though they win the war on the other two levels, if they lose the war for the minds of men, they have lost the world. Now that battle is a missionary battle, and the communists take missions seriously.

As their soldiers came in, the communist missionaries came out of hiding, and put on the greatest evangelistic campaign that I have ever seen in my life, and I have heard Billy Graham! They put on meetings that lasted from early in the morning until after midnight. They put on plays, and concerts, and operas, and movies, all loaded with the communist gospel. It was a veritable avalanche of communist evangelism. Before that avalanche, villagers and students were swept away, until one of my own students, came to me and tried to convert me to communism. "You stay with us fifty years, Dr. Moffett," he said, "and you'll see, we'll have a paradise on earth right here in China." And he believed it! But what really frightened me was not that he had been so soon converted to communism, but that he was already trying to convert me. He was already a missionary, coming to convert his unconverted professor. And I could not help but contrast this zealous young missionary convert of the communists, with some of the comfortable Christians I have known at home who would rather die than speak to others about Jesus Christ.

As this tide swept over us, we Christian missionaries began to feel lonely and defeated, and perhaps a little bitter. We began to wonder why it was that that Christian church, like the rest of the free world so often comes up with too little too late. It sent us out as soldiers, as it were, to hold a key pass against the enemy, to win China for Christ. But it sent only a little handful of missionaries to hold that country against hundreds, against thousands, against hundreds of thousands. I do not mean to minimize the Christian effort. At one time we Protestants had 8,000 missionaries in China. That's a goodly number. Even more important was the fact that there were 800,000 Protestant Christians in the Chinese church. But as I said, it is the communists who take missions seriously. They told us that they had in that one country 8,000,000 paid workers. I include in that number a good segment of the communist army, which is a missionary army. 8,000,000 paid workers in China alone! Don't ask me anymore "Why did the communists win China?" They won it because they take missions seriously.

With that iron force of 8,000,000 against our thin line of 800,000, is it any wonder that I come back to you without any happy little stories about missionary work in China? This is the kind of story I can tell you if you can take it. About a year after the communist conquest, a young Chinese Christian worker invited his young people to a summer conference.

He didn't really expect them to come. He knew that the communists had assigned a full time political worker, a missionary, to those young people. He knew that the communist youth corps had taken as its objective the conversion of every single young Christian in that community to communism. He knew the pressures which communists can bring to bear on young people in their totalitarian state. But they came to the conference and his heart was lifted up and they went through the week of the conference in the old familiar way. I don't know about your conferences, but out there our conferences closed with a night of testimony for Jesus Christ, as the young people stood up one by one to say what Jesus meant to them. They came to the last night, the night of testimony, and the young people stood up all right. They stood up one by one and renounced their faith in Jesus Christ, just as the communists had planned, leaving a young Christian worker heart-broken, almost out of his mind, at the wreckage of all his hopes and all his work. I don't have a pretty picture to paint for you about the situation over there, but I think you should know the truth.

Are we defeated, then? Are all your ninety years of good work done in vain? I would be false to my calling as a minister of Jesus Christ if I came to you out of China with a message of defeat. Don't forget God, and the power of God, and the word of God. Remember that verse in St. Paul's epistle to the Romans, the 8th chapter, "Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword. Nay in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him that loved us". Perhaps I have been talking too much about the communists conquerors. They're there, and they are conquering. But by the grace of our Almighty God, there is in China today a group of God's "more than conquerors", the faithful remnant.

We don't talk about them very much. You will hear stories of failure in China, but I doubt if you will hear many stories of faithfulness for this reason: it is dangerous to talk about the "more than conquerors" behind the curtain. In one day, in the city in which we had been working, 376 people were executed before a stamping, cheering crowd of 40,000 people. That was one day, in one town, and executions went on for months. I am afraid even to wonder whether any of my Chinese Christian friends were among those who were executed. I do know that statements made in this country have been used against Christians out there within 48 hours, and I am not willing to have any carelessly quoted statement of mine used against Christians of China. So you will not hear too much about the "more than conquerors". But they are there. I cannot leave you completely discouraged. Let me tell you about a few, disguising them for their own safety

Here is one: an officer in the People's Liberation Army, the red army—but not any more. Today he is somewhere in China studying for the gospel ministry. What makes you think that communists cannot be converted?

Here is another: a woman, a very small but a very brave woman. The communists came rolling into her town, as they rolled into so many of them, as polite, disciplined liberators, promising to bring in the new 'heaven on earth'. The notices went up, "We guarantee freedom of religion". But it is only a paper promise. Before two years had passed the first enthusiasm was gone and the iron fist was beginning to be felt beneath the velvet glove. Communists officials came to this woman who was principal of a bible school. They said to her, "Of course we guarantee freedom of religion. You can go to church on Sunday. But religion is superstition and superstition and education don't mix. You must stop teaching the Bible in your school." Then the little woman stood up to face the communist conquerors. "I know you can drive me out of town," she said, "I know you can close the doors of our school. But this is a Bible school, and as long as our doors stay open, we are going to teach the Bible!" As far as I know, that woman is still teaching the Bible behind the bamboo curtain "more than conqueror through Him that loves her".

While there are faithful men and women like this in the church behind the curtain, I am not anxious about the future of the church of Jesus Christ in China. The rains may descend, and the floods come, and the winds blow and beat against that little church, but it will stand. It will stand because it is built upon the Rock, Jesus Christ.

Frankly there are times when I am more concerned about the church right here in America. What about your foundations? Life is so easy for you, and foundations may not seem important, but if the dark days should come here, as they could, where would you be standing? Would you be standing with those "more than conquerors" behind the curtain on Jesus Christ, the rock that never shakes?

You are ninety years old. Are you really standing on the rock? Then and only then will you be ready to move out again into the world to capture and to win it for Jesus Christ. But to do that, you too are going to have to learn to take missions seriously.

Let us pray.

Oh, Lord, our Heavenly Father, Thou knowest our weaknesses. How easily we are swept from side to side with every wind that blows, but Thou O Lord are strong, Thy grace is sufficient for us, Thy strength can be made manifest even through our weakness therefore O Lord come into our hearts, take us, weak as we are, transform us by the grace of Jesus Christ into Thy tools and Thy instruments for the winning of the world through Jesus Christ. Amen.

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Dear Dr. Moffat: The women who have signed this card are members of one of the Women's Society of Christian Service of Uruguay. We have just finished studying the book "Behold the Sun" which has been translated into Spanish, a Spanish translation of a well-known book. We have been inspired as well as encouraged by the movement of God's Kingdom in South America. The reason for writing this card is to congratulate you on the book which the book gives us a new and world problems, and to express our sincere gratitude.

The card has been very ably presented by Mrs. Balloch, wife of Bishop Balloch, who although retired, have taken the place of Mr. and Mrs. Earl M. Smith during their year of furlough.

This card itself is a bit of a missionary project. It is hand-painted by a member of another Uruguayan society. This is one of her "talents" by which she earns money for the missionary cause.

With our sincere wishes for God's blessings on you, I remain sincerely yours,  
 (Mrs. F.) Alice Irwin Warda, Bogota 3811, Montevideo



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